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Workshop on Directional Drilling in the Rocky  
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**State requires directional  
drilling**

**RARELY**

# **Impacts on environment**

- **Necessary to protect public health, safety, welfare**
- **Cost Effective**
- **Technically feasible**

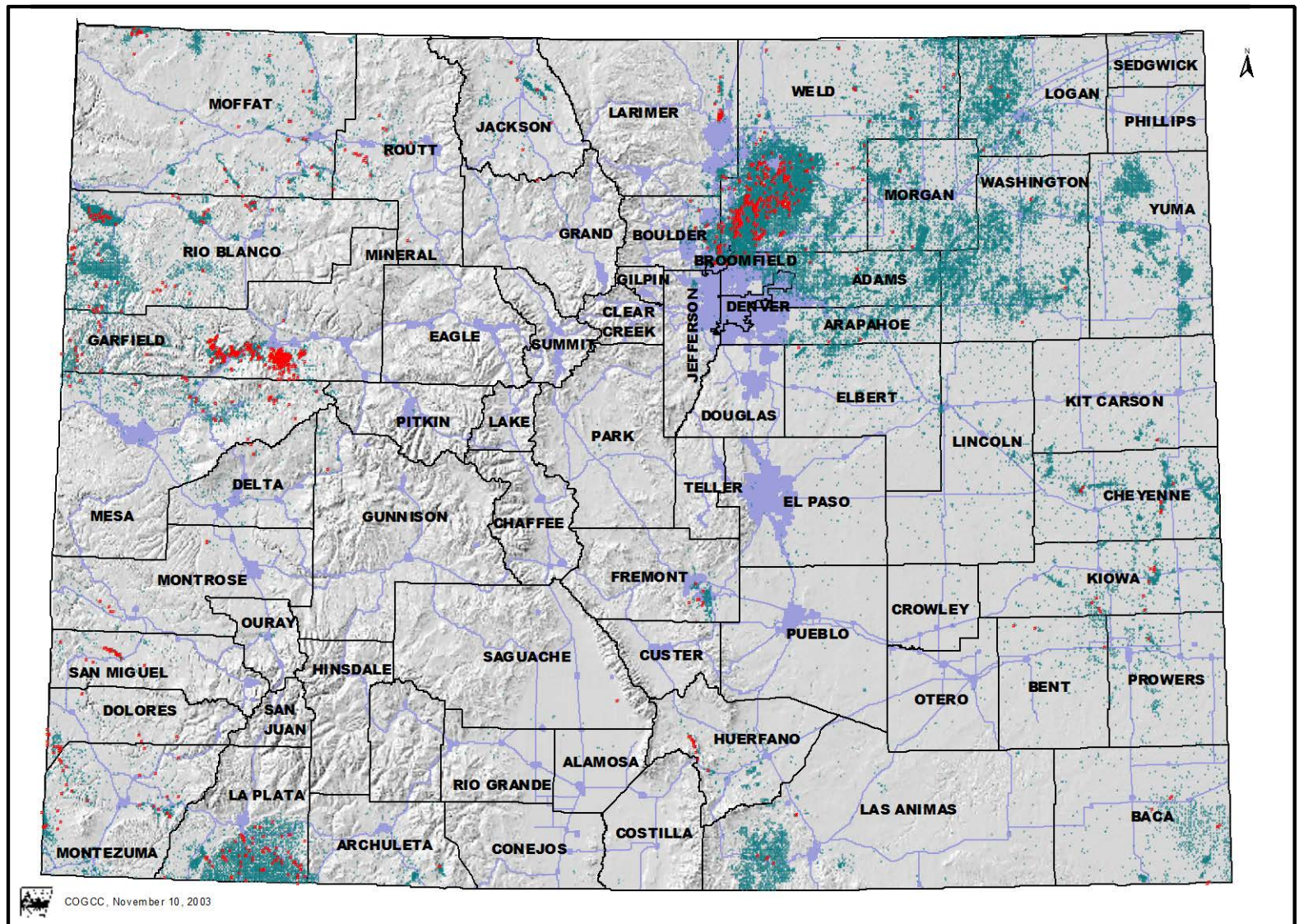
# **Not authorized to consider:**

- **Property values**
- **Preferred quality of life**

# **Sample rules protecting public health, safety and welfare**

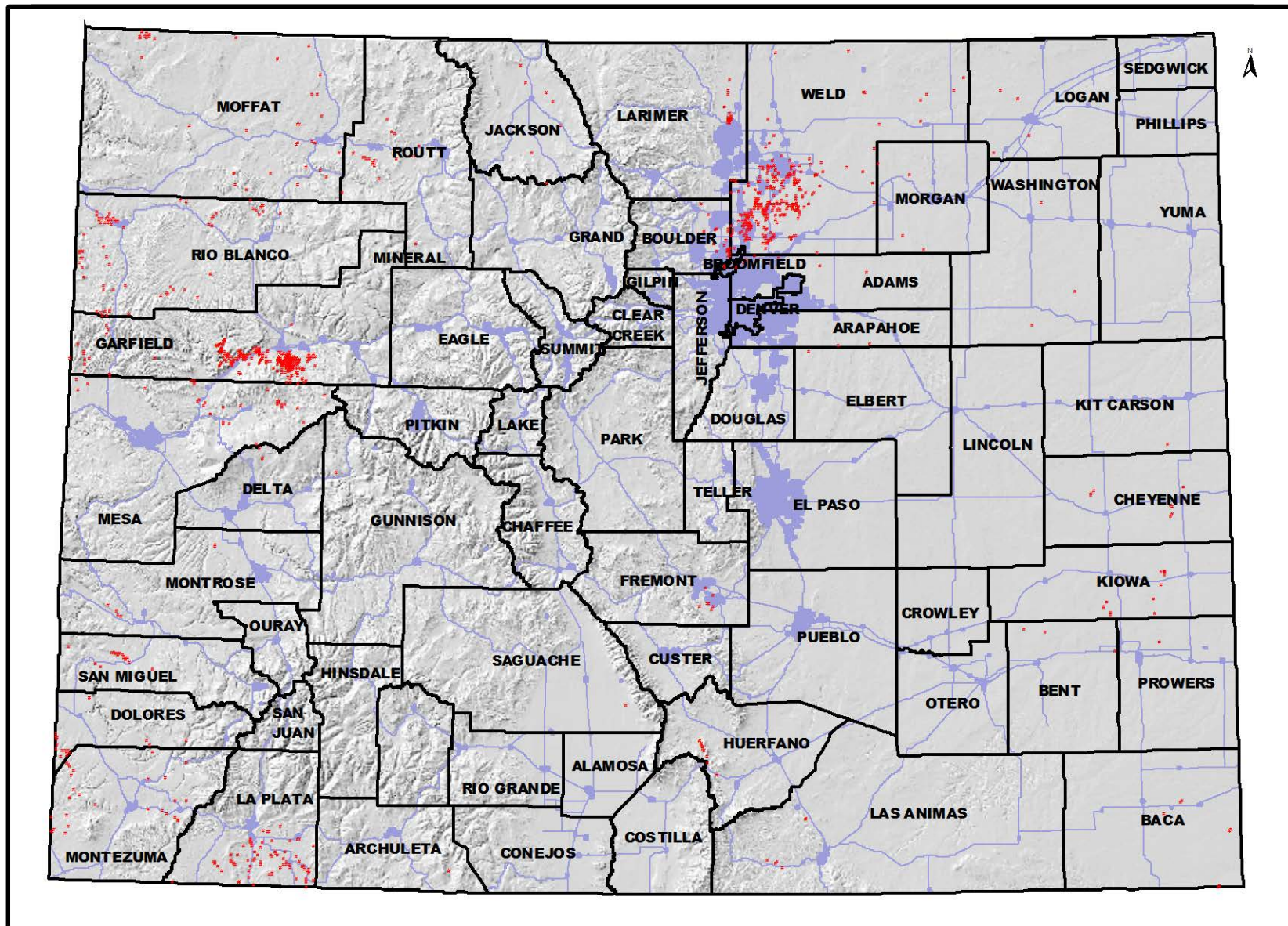
- **High density areas**
- **Designated outside activity areas  
(Rule 603 restrictions)**
- **Order of the Commission**
  - **Garfield County - application for 20-acre density drilling & spacing units**





## DEVIATED WELLS IN COLORADO





# **Examples of directional drilling (including horizontal wells)**

## **■ Garfield County (596)**

- Order of Commission: 20-acre density**
- Proposed by operators: 10-acre density**

## **■ Weld County (460)**

- technology development**
- growth of cities**
- terrain**



# **For more information:**

- **[www.oil-gas.state.co.us](http://www.oil-gas.state.co.us) (Rules page)**